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AND THE WINNER IS....

BY HELEN L. CARMODY
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There are many prominent individuals in numismatics today who have had an enormous impact on our hobby; names such as Q. David Bowers and Walter Breen come immediately to mind. However, there are others whose efforts often go unnoticed, unpublished, and unrecognized, despite the fact that their contributions are really keeping our hobby alive. Without them our avocations and vocations alike would crumble; and collecting, as we presently know it, would soon wither and die.

Our club --- and I stress the word "our" because the very essence of the Honolulu Coin Club, of which I am proud to be a member, engenders the camaraderie that is such a beneficial aspect of numismatics --- has many persons who unselfishly give of their time and efforts to keep activities stimulating and successful. Their motives are to increase their knowledge, contribute their insights, and share what they have learned with others.

Each year the world's largest organization for collectors of coins, tokens, medals, and paper money, the American Numismatic Association, recognizes those individuals who

serve their coin clubs and the hobby with exemplary enthusiasm and dedication. The Outstanding Club Representative award is highly coveted and has been the source of pride not only for the recipient but for his club as well. This year the winner of the award is our own GREGORY HUNT!

Greg's selfless devotion to the hobby has inspired others to join our club and to become spirited participants in its meetings and coin shows. No matter where he is, he is working on behalf of his fellow collectors. From the first time I met him at the 1981 ANA Midwinter Convention in Honolulu (where he served as a security guard and on the local committee), I was cognizant of the fact that his gregarious nature was perfectly blended with his intense collecting interests and his ability to have people work together. He is a true organizer, who has that special knack for putting the right person with the right job. He is the embodiment of the ultimate recruiter. No one says "no" to the "head man," whose authority, stability, and strength acquit him so well not only in his profession as a DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education, which teaches youngsters to have self-esteem and how to say "no" to drugs) police officer but as a club officer as well.

From the moment one enters a club meeting or show, Greg's presence is felt. As a collector for 35 years, a member of the Honolulu Coin Club for 15 years, its president for 10 years, its chairman (at least ten times!) for the annual coin show, and its ANA club representative, he gives endlessly to others of his knowledge, efforts, and time. Despite the great pressures and demands of his profession, he is without a doubt the strongest force in Hawaiian numismatics, shouldering every responsibility given him and many that are not.

He presents programs, writes articles for the HCC newsletter, presides over meetings, chairs the club show in May in conjunction with the Hawaii State Numismatic Association (which he served as its 1981-1987 first vice president and 1987-1991 president, in which latter capacity he most likely will remain for many years), and also heads the club

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AND THE WINNER IS.....

By Helen L. Carmody

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show in conjunction with the statehood celebration in August. His all-consuming efforts extend to recruiting members, awarding prizes, arranging the annual Christmas party, soliciting door prizes, and acting an unofficial "historian" because of his deep love of Hawaii's past; his wealth of information has become the source of ideas used by the club for the subjects of its wooden tokens and medals.

Greg is a "rolled-up-sleeves" officer and happiest when he is getting things done -- whether it is organizing the coin show setup or cleanup, security for the show, researching Hawaiian history, assisting in his role as advisor for the Honolulu Coin Club Juniors, or traveling to the Big Island Coin Club to help it with obtaining speakers or to Maui to offer his organizational expertise to encourage collectors there to revive their disbanded club. It is just impossible to refuse Greg's requests because he never asks more of others than he is prepared to give himself. During coin shows he seldom leaves the premises. Instead he spends his days making sure that the bourse is secure and his nights on guard in the security room. He is the "glue" that keeps the Honolulu Coin Club together and represents all the good qualities that prevail in the hobby.

Greg would prefer to stay behind the scenes and allow others to assume the leadership roles he has assumed, but, frankly, our members won't permit him to do so. He has agreed to stay in his positions as ANA club representative, president, etc; of our club as long as the membership maintains an earnest effort to keep a strong YN program. He is devoted to the future of numismatics and realizes the importance of not only advancing the educational aspects of the club but also wisely intersperses social get-togethers to generate a feeling of "Island hospitality" during all activities. He rejects no job as too big or too small, he approaches both with the same amount of vigor and enthusiasm. He is definitely a "take-charge" type of person, one who is never fazed by the efforts that need be expended or the problems that may occur.

Greg Hunt has the complete trust of his peers; his commitment to numismatics and his sharing-and-caring attitude have earned our appreciation, our admiration, and, most of

all, our respect. He is truly "outstanding" as well. He personifies the ideals that are the basis of the honor he has just received, and our lives, numismatically and personally, are richer for his presence and for the distinction he has brought to us, his fellow collectors.



Endangered Hawaiian Stilt 9th Wood



The Hawaiian Stilt or Ae'o is the ninth wood in the Hawaiian Endangered Wildlife series. The Ae'o is one of the many native Hawaiian waterbirds that is highly endangered. Like most waterbirds, the Hawaiian Stilt make their nests in wetland areas around marshes, mud flats and ponds. Unfortunately, man-made modernization, urban development and other so-called "progress" has destroyed many of the waterbird's natural habitats with land-fills, drains, and pollution. The bird, being very vulnerable to disturbances and predation, nest only where water barriers prevent people and animals from disturbing their nest. Tall and slender in size, the male Ae'o has a black back running from the top of its head down to its tail while the female is brownish. They have long pinkish legs and stand about 16 inches tall. They generally lay about 4 eggs at a time. Being a waterbird, the Ae'o feed on water insects, crabs and fish.

The reverse is a native Hawaiian shrub called the Pukiawe. These plants grow along the mountain slopes. The leaves are small, paddle-shaped and rigid. The shrub also produces a tiny flower that later turns into a cherry-like fruit that is dark red or reddish orange in color.

To order your wooden tokens, send 25 cents per token and a SASE to Honolulu Coin Club, P.O. Box 6063, Honolulu, HI 96818.

HONOLULU COIN CLUB

The Honolulu Coin Club meets every second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Susannah Wesley Community Center at 1117 Kaili Street, 7:30 p.m. Gregory Hunt, president.

MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB PRESIDENT OF HSNA & HCC

Dear HSNA and Honolulu Coin Club Members:

It is the middle of October, and we are working very hard on the Hawaii State Numismatic Association Coin Show. I have just mailed out the "freebee" advertisements to over one-hundred agencies (television, radio, newspapers, and magazines). Even as I write this message to you the Executive BOD of the HCC is preparing to travel to Maui to encourage the reestablishment of the Maui Coin Club as well as look into the feasibility of a Mini-HSNA Coin Show to be held for two days. We are looking at May 2 & 3, 1992.

With all this activity, I have been asked by Charlie to write to the membership. I am very indebted to him. Thus I endeavor to write this open letter to all of you.


I hope this letter finds each and every one of you in the best of health and happiness. The HSNA Coin Show will be upon us directly and you need to have your finances in order - to make the right purchases. Now is the time to buy, if you can find it.

The HSNA set-up is scheduled for Wednesday, November 6, 1991 at 9:00 AM. The HSNA cocktail party is scheduled for 6:30 PM that night. Hope to see you all in attendance. The show starts on Thursday, November 7th and runs through Sunday, the 10th. Don't forget the HSNA Annual Banquet at 6:30 PM.

I want to take this time to thank all the members who have contributed to the success of the HSNA and HCC these past years and hope to see your continued cooperation. Let me also take the time to wish each and everyone of you a Mele Kalikimaka and Houli Makahiki Hou.

Final reminder, the HCC will celebrate Christmas with our annual blowout. Our party is scheduled for Saturday, December 14, 1991 at Susannah Wesley Community Center at 1117 Kaili St. at 6:00 PM. Be there or be square! I promise lots of food, fun, games, and prizes for the attendees.

Maalo Nui Loa,


GREGORY B. HUNT
President of the
HSNA & HCC



From the shores of Pearl Harbor:

by Bernard von NotHaus

The National Pearl Harbor Survivors Association announced that they have authorized an official issue to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. The official Pearl Harbor "Dala" (Hawaiian Dollar) will be issued in gold and silver proofs from the Royal Hawaiian Mint with national distribution by Silvertowne.

Ken Creese, National secretary for PHSA, explained that since the U.S. Government refused to issue a Pearl Harbor commemorative, his organization was pleased that Hawaii's own Mint with an eighteen year track record of outstanding work could get involved with such dedication. "After all," Creese explained, "no other location could be more appropriate for producing this historically significant issue than where the Japanese planes flew on that awful Sunday morning." He added that, "Although the U.S. Mint might have sold millions, the Pearl Harbor 'Dala' will probably be a better collectable since only a few thousand will be made."

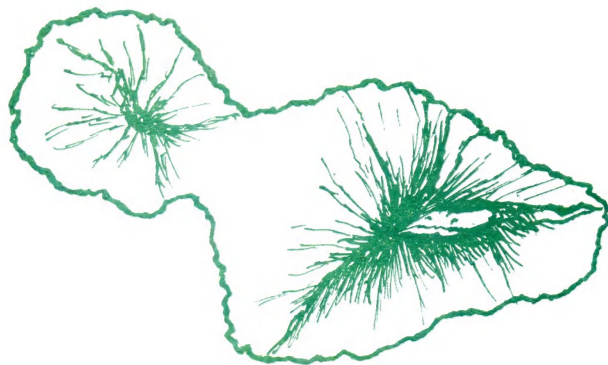
Mr. Leon Hendrickson of Silvertowne agreed, "I'm absolutely delighted to see an official Pearl Harbor Silver commemorative of this quality." Adding, "I expect it to be a big hit with the silver coin collectors of America."

Bernard von NotHaus, Mintmaster at the Royal Hawaiian Mint quick to point out more reason for collector interest. "First the issue has a reason to be. There is a genuine need for this commemorative, and the Royal Hawaiian Mint has done everything to match and surpass the U.S. Mint products. From sculptured masters, to offering a full ounce commemorative at a lower price versus the U.S. Mint's proposed 3/4 ounce coin. The official Pearl Harbor 'Dala' also comes in the same luxurious packaging used by the U.S. Mint," said von NotHaus.

The Pearl Harbor "Dala" is available in proof silver that contains one full ounce of .999 fine silver. The gold proof set including one-tenth ounce gold proof in .9999 fine gold and a 39mm bronze proof. The first day of issue is set for October 15, 1991, with all orders on first come, first serve filled basis.

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MAUI EXCURSION

BY GREGORY HUNT

On Saturday, October 12, 1991 at 0815 hours, Marion and Sally Kendrick, Charles Matsuda, Wah Kui Young, and myself flew to Maui. We decided that we had to go there to drum up support for the return of the Maui Coin Club. While doing so we were also going to check out facilities for a Mini-HSNA Coin Show for the month of May 1992.

After we arrived in Kahului, we ate breakfast at Tasty Crust Restaurant and met with Charlie's friend Clarence Onaka. While there we picked up a Maui Telephone Book and scanned the current listing on some of the older members of Maui Coin Club. We called and spoke to Mr. Frank Martin (the last president of the Maui Club) who provided us with more names to contact while we were in town.

On our first day we visited a number of hotels in Wailuku with negative results. Cost of rentals were too prohibitive. We drove to the Kihei area and checked other hotels with conference or meeting space with the same negative results. It took most of the day and our bodies were starved. We drove into Smorgies in Kihei at 8 p.m. and ate a very good meal for \$9.21.

We headed back to the Maui Lu Hotel and got ready for for bed. Charlie, Wah Kui and I shared a room, while Marion and Sally were next door. I started to call the members from the list I had made. I got hold of Frank Martin to arrange a time to meet. I spoke to Ed and Patsy Gilreath, Mr. and Mrs. John Duey, John Klask, Walter Lai and Ben Furtado.

Wah Kui got up real early ... 4 a.m. and by 6:30 a.m. the rest of us started to get moving and ate breakfast at The Original Pancake House. After that we checked out of the Maui Lu and head out to meet with Ben Furtado. While there we met his lovely wife and talked about planning our coin show and ways to help restart the Maui Coin Club.

From there it was to Alfred O. Souza's house and finally to Frank Martin's Kula home. We spent over three hours there going on the grand tour of his property. "Boy what an experience!" If you ever want to meet true collectors....MAUI NO KA OI.

The Maui Coin Collectors gave us some good information and some new leads to check into. At present we will be checking into holding the show in Central Wailuku/Kahului Area. The places suggested are Cameron Center, Maui Community College, Maui Electric, and Kahului Library Meeting Room. Marion will be calling to get information to coordinate the event.

We are still in the planning stages of this future event. The coin show will run for two days and the tentative dates chosen are May 2 and 3 1992. We hope to notify you all as soon as we have something concrete. Till than aloha nui loa.

Aloha, Bill!

William Dyslin, his wife, Charyl and daughter, Michelle have left our beautiful islands. Bill who is in the Air Force, was station at Hickam Air Force Base and because of his promotion (to E8) has left Hawaii for Holloman A..F.B. in New Mexico. He has over 20 years of service and is looking forward to retiring in 5 years.

Bill heard of the Honolulu Cloin Club through a local dealer when he was stationed in North Dakota. Upon his arrival in Honolulu, his new duty station, he immediately looked up the Honolulu Coin Club and joined. Bill was a very big help at our coin shows. Whenever we needed help he was there to assist, without hesitation. He even took his vacation during our big show in November in order to help out before, during and after the show. Aside from being a helper, he was also a dealer at the May and August shows. He also was an officer of the HCC and HSNA. What impressed us the most was his quiet manner and would always listen to you first before saying or giving his opinion and view. We certainly enjoyed his presence and company. He supported the club in every way possible.

Michelle his daughter was also involved in the HCC as a junior member, junior officer and as a worker at our shows. We thank Bill's wife Charyl for letting them give so much of their time as members of HCC and HSNA. We will miss them very much and hope that one day they will return to Hwaii. Mahalo!



Happy Holidays!



NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

FROM THE COIN CLUBS OF HAWAII

BIG ISLAND COIN CLUB

- AUG91-- Plans outlined for the coming year by President Virginia Dicks were to have a coin show in early 1992 and to review the meeting arrangements. Over 30 members and guests were present.
- SEP91-- Because of change in date, only 22 members were present at the BICC meeting. A "show and tell" and "swap-meet" concept meeting was held.

HONOLULU COIN CLUB

- AUG91-- Statehood Coin Show which was held at Kapalama School on Saturday, the 24th of August was discussed. Present were 18 dealers. Exhibitors were: Charles Matsuda - Oregon Trail Coins and Comic Books; Crane Saito - Hawaiian Monarchy Series and W.K. Young - Hawaii Wartime Currency and Hobo Nickels. F. Loo spoke of his experiences at the August '91 ANA Convention; the seminars he attended; the auction in which he took part in and the show itself. Present were 22 members and guests.
- SEP91-- Discussion was held on having a coin show in Maui. The Christmas party was also planned. Auction and door prizes capped the evening meeting. Attending were 20 members and guests.

NEW MEETING PLACE BIG ISLAND COIN CLUB

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Hawaii Community College, Room 17.



IN MEMORIAL

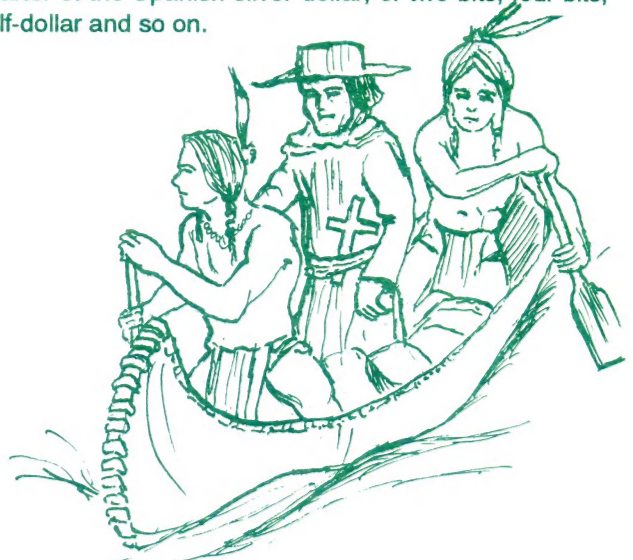
Dave H. Martin

Dave H. Martin, owner of both Ala Moana Stamp and Coin and Alii Stamp and Coin passed away on August 22, 1991 in Honolulu at the age of 54. Mr. Martin was a well known and well liked coin dealer in Honolulu and the country. He was past president of the Hawaii State Numismatic Association and the Honolulu Coin Club. He was a strong supporter of the hobby and clubs in Hawaii. He was a member of many numismatic organizations here in Hawaii and on the mainland. A man who was always willing to give of his time in helping others in the hobby.

Dave Martin was born in Denver, Colorado. In high school, polio cut short a promising "football career". In fact the doctors told him would not walk again. How wrong he proved them. During the first (1964) HSNA coin show, he decided to live in Hawaii and has resided here ever since. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. He is survived by his wife, Sylvia; a daughter, Mrs. Mark (Kim) Rodrigues; a granddaughter; brother James Martin of Georgia; stepbrother Lloyd Jones; nieces and nephews. ALOHA DAVE.

Spanish Dollars

Spanish silver dollars was a very popular coin of the 19th century in the early West. When the Indians sold beaver pelts, these coins were cut up into eight parts. Each part was known as a "bit". A bit was equal to twelve and a half cents. So, as the Indians sold their pelts he charged one-quarter of the Spanish silver dollar, or two bits, four bits, half-dollar and so on.





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